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1. I CONVEYED TODAY THE USG VIEWS ON SOVIET TRIALS (REFTEL) TO HIGHEST AVAILABLE IRISH FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS -- SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT ROBERT MCDONAGH AND DEPUTY SECRETARY NOEL DORR. THEY STATED THAT THE GOI UNDERSTANDS AND SHARES OUR CONCERNS; THEY REITERATED THE POSITION EXPRESSED BY FOREIGN MINISTER O'KENNEDY IN HIS RELATIVELY STRONG PUBLIC STATEMENT ON JULY 12 (DUBLIN 2158).

2. IN RESPONSE TO MY INVITATION WELCOMING IRELAND'S VIEWS ON FURTHER ACTIONS, MCDONAGH AND DORR SAID THEY COULD THINK OF NO ACTIONS OTHER THAN CONTINUING TO MAKE CLEAR THE COLLECTIVE VIEWS OF CSCE PARTICIPANTS TO THE SOVIETS. THE ONLY ADDITIONAL ACTIONS THEY COULD THINK OF, E.G., BREAKING OFF DEALINGS WITH THE SOVIET UNION IN SUCH FORUMS AS SALT WOULD BE DANGEROUS AND WOULD VIOLATE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF GOVERNMENTS TO PROTECT THEIR CITIZENS FROM "THE ULTIMATE VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS -- NUCLEAR DESTRUCTION". SHANNON
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